

will see the heaviest part of
teaching work over so that
we may expect to be able to
arrange everything for the end
of March. - Bowser will then
be back (he is now exploiting
in Ceylon) & this next fall
should see some result from
all our deliberations.

As you surmise Britten's
Journal must either cease
or be confined in scope to
bear British Borneo. It is
unpleasant to drive to the
wall our old Journal which

Feb 9th 1886.

My dear Prof. Fay.

Your very kind
letter of 6th ult. I received
& it gave me very great
pleasure. Accept most heart
thanks for it. I did not
ref at once writing until
I could say something further
concerning the matter of our
proposed Journal. Now as the
outlook clears rapidly & we
long we may hope for a

successful launch I write
to you with some confidence.

And first I must say how
much we are indebted to you
for your favourable opinion
& for putting us in the way
of having Prof. Farrow as a
Coadjutor. I am about to write
to him on the matter as you
suggested & we shall indeed
welcome his cooperation
& support. I trust I am
delighted to say will actively
credit - the press here will

take up the Journal and
when we have secured
Prof. Farrow's consent and the
promise of his aid all that
remain I do in bare
detail & make start. But
at present both times and
myself are tied with teaching
work which makes it difficult
for either to get away for purposes
of consultation & personal
conference on the details
of our project but this month

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thought the specimens would
be quite as accessible & more
useful indeed if placed with
the other herbaria named in
series after Bentham and
Hooker. On looking over the
herbarium however I am
freely disappointed to find
the majority of specimens have
no locality attached to them.
The name in the card writing
is on a loose ticket, in many
cases an additional ticket gives
Littorpi (either Henry or John)
correction of the name - but

has done good service
in the past but we all feel
in this country that it is
not possible to drive in
that coach as it is at
present deluged & there is
no other course than that we
propose left open to us.
With the Transatlantic ticket
I believe so kind secured
join us & having the members
whom modest forbid me to
name I think the staff
of our venture is nearly

a strong one & the Journal
should have a merry if not
a long life; And I am thanking
you for your good wishes with
myself that I hope they will
be fulfilled.

The Sheridan Herbarium
I have in hand at present.
With the aid of a very energetic
fellow of Madalen (Mrs. Farney)
I am going over it. My purpose
originally was to incorporate
it with the Main Herbarium.

I find that keeping DeCenini's,
Morrison's & Hitchcock's Herbaria
separate & in their primary
condition as much special
room is occupied as
we can well spare & as
Sherard's Herb. which has
hitherto been kept separate,
had not the typical value
which the publication of books
founded upon its specimens
give to the herbaria of the
authors above named I

I am glad to know such
 good account of your own
 health & trust you may
 long continue in the enjoyment
 of such good health & send
 with kind regards & again
 thanking you for your
 numerous encouragement
 & support I am

Yours always remaining
 Dear Bayley Belfrage

in too many cases no further
 information as to the specimen
 is apparent. I am having all
 the plants & tickets fastened
 down to sheets which will be
 stamped so that no future
 confusion can arise but
 the absence of local indication
 makes me hesitate about
 incorporating. I need hardly
 say that any information
 the Bureau Herb. or any of
 our collectors here can
 afford you is at your disposal.
 Since you were here we have

made considerable changes.

The Herbarium being now housed in the building formerly occupied as a residence by the Professor of Botany. It is therefore accessible which for some years past it has not been.

Your friend Prof. Pasteur is well & vigorous. His book on Biology (the first vol.) is just out - a valuable text-book condensing his powers physical & mental -

Mr H. Adams I am sorry to say is invalid, & he has just started on a voyage to Egypt - purposing to return in two months time. Many alterations in connection with the construction & development of a new Medical School have thrown much worry in his path recently & he is now ordered rest & relaxation of his medical avocations.